

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

August 12, 2020

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

2020-157-E

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

SUBJECT:

DOCKET NO. 2020-157-E - Petition of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for an Expedited Decision and Issuance of a Declaratory Order that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Relocation of Four 230 kV Lines at H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant is Not Required - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Petition for an Expedited Decision and Issuance of a Declaratory Order that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Relocation of Four 230 kV lines at H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant is Not Required.

COMMISSION ACTION:

In July 2015, Duke Energy Progress executed a consent agreement with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control requiring the excavation of the inactive coal ash fill area at the Company's H.B. Robinson plant within eight years. In accordance with the consent agreement, the Company states in its petition that it is moving forward with plans to excavate the coal ash, and certain transmission lines are located on Duke Energy Progress's property within the boundaries of the Robinson site need to be moved. Duke states that in order to allow for continued excavation of coal ash onsite in accordance with the consent agreement with DHEC, it needs to permanently relocate the transmission lines from the existing route. The total length of the portions of the Transmission Lines being relocated is approximately 1.5 miles. The Company maintains that the re-placement of the Transmission Lines is essential to the completion of the Company's obligations under the consent agreement with DHEC and its continued operations at Robinson.

According to the Petition, relocation of the Transmission Lines will take place on DEP-owned property and will not require any additional rights or easements from third-party property owners. As such, Duke seeks a "like facility" designation under Code Section 58-33-110(1). The relocation project is currently on a schedule that allows for the work to coincide with the upcoming refueling outage for the Robinson plant.

The Office of Regulatory Staff has reviewed this matter and has indicated that it has no objection.

Move to approve Duke Energy Progress's Petition for a "like facility" designation under South Carolina Code Annotated Section 58-33-110(1), so that the utility may relocate the Four 230 kV lines at H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant as described in the petition.

PRESIDING: Randall

SESSION: Regular

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER
BELSER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
ERVIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HAMILTON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HOWARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RANDALL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WHITFIELD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WILLIAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Absent</u>

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Military Leave

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